

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION**  
**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

☐ Continuation ☒ Division ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (19 pages).
- ☒ Formal drawings (22 sheets, Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a, 6b, 6c, 7a, 7b, 7c, 8a, 8b, 9, 10a, 10b, 11, 12a, 12b, 13a, 13b, 14, 15a, 15b, 16, 17, 18a, 18b, 18c, 19, 20a, 20b, 20c, 21a, 21b, 22a, 22b, 23 24, 25a, 25b, 26a, 26b, 26c.
- ☒ Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from parent file(4 pages).

- ☒ Copy of Assignment of the invention to TAKATA CORPORATION recorded at Reel 011522, frame 0032.
- ☐ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- ☐ Small Entity statement.
- ☐ Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ Form PTO/SB/08 with 19 references listed.
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

The filing fee is calculated below:


	Claims as Filed	Included in Basic Fee	Extra Claims	Rate	Fee Totals
Basic Fee				\$770.00	\$770.00
Total	7	- 20	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Claims:					
Independ	6	- 3	= 3	x \$86.00	= \$258.00
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,028.00 to cover the filing fee and additional claim fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The required filing fees are not enclosed but will be submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
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